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Lee county expects to elect W. H. Towles as senator from their district, comprising Lee and Monroe counties.

Mount Vesuvius is in eruption, active eruption at present. There have been hundreds of fatalities to date and the entire populace is panic stricken. Whole cities have been buried.

the appropriation for the Panama each place. Exposition at Tampa, says he now feels confident of the undertaking and government support of same.

let a little thing like a strike put tend the State Christian Endeavor them out of business. The report Convention in Winter Park, having comes that they have nine million a place on the programme for tons reserve, and will be able to Monday. supply all demands, strike or no strike for a long while.

hibition, and DeSoto county would \$600-which if calculated per have cause to rejoice as well as Lee, capita, is nearly \$14 apiece. for DeSoto is principally supplied with jugs from Lee.

expensive luxury to every section of DeSoto county. Just how much it will cost will be carefully the county records, and other all prosper. equally reliable sources.

Arcadia is a unit against county division. This fact was broadly, are holding services here now. emphasized by the rousing meeting against the measure on last Thursday night. There are a whole lot of people in all sections of the county who will stand with Arcadia on this platform. This also was shown by representative men from a number of outlying precincts who were also presont and expressed their opposition to county division.

We are proud to report that the Arcadia Champion, one of the brightest and cleverest papers in the summer land, has undergone the ordeal of a glorious ressurection. Edited by Mrs. Neva C. Child, a W. C. T. T. woman of remarkable ability, it comes to us weekly, pure, fearless and clever and true to its name it champions the rights of humanity in all forms as her clear vision recognizes them.-Bellona Brown Havens, editor W C. T. U. Column, in St. Petersburg Independent.

It gives us great pleasure to add our mite of recommendation to the candidacy of T. J. Appleyard, for Railroad Commissioner. We believe he would make a good one, and do not think with the Wauchula editor that because he has been on friendly terms with the railroads that he will serve them instead of the people. The very fact of his familiarity ought to add to his efficiency. The Jacksonville

Sun, by Edward Fitzgerald, says this of Mr. Appleyard:

"Another entry has been made in the race for Railroad Commissioners, and if the last, by no means is it the least-Thomas J. Appleyard, editor of the Lake City Index and one of the best known men in Florida. More humor for the campaign, but in material sense, as Mr. Appleyard declares that he will be "the best-natured candidate that ever solicited a vote.

Presbyterian Church.

Services the first and third Sundays in each month.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday evenings following the first and third Sundays.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

Mr. Keigwin will begin his regular pastoral work in Punta Gorda in connection with Arcadia Col. T. J. L. Brown, who has on the fourth Sunday, April 22, been at Washington working on and will remain a whole week in

> The fifth Sunday will be given in Arcadia.

He goes this week to spend a few days in Orlando, and Satur-The coal barons don't intend to day, Sunday and Monday will at-

The report of the church to Presbytery which met in Punta Gorda last Tuesday and Wednes-Lee county with Ft. Myers as day, was in some respects enits capital went "wet" by three couraging. The little band of majority. If all those who claim forty-three members reported to love humanity had voted dry it funds raised and pledged during would easily have carried for pro- the year to the amount of nearly

Seven prizes have been awarded for regular attendance at Sunday School which had doubled the County division would be an number of classes during the year.

Bowling Green Items.

I guess, all are glad to know estimated and put before the voters that the farmers, the backbone of in convenient and indisputable the world, are prosperous this form just as soon as the committee year. We have shipped a good appointed for that purpose can many vegetables from here this compile the necessary data, from week. If our country prospers we

> Labor is increasing here and buildidg is improving.

The Christian Disciples of Christ

There are several in town who are on the sick list this week, your scribe, his wife and several others.

It is getting quite dry in town now. A good shower would help our community and especially the vegetables very much.

Our town is flooded with our country citizens now-a-days.

Irish Potatoes.

R. E. Smedley shipped a car of Irish potatoes to New York Saturday. They came off from his twoacre patch and were as fine as you

On the two acres he got 112 barrels or 335 bushels of potatoes, 95 barrels of which were fancy.

On the same day J. P. Hendry shipped a car to Philadelphia. Mr. Hendry is busy this week shipping more.

Mr. Smedley treated us to a mess of the potatoes grown on his place and we speak from personal knowledge when we say they were

On Sunday night the house of Jake Simmons, near Pine Level, was burned, also another shack close by. The fire was supposed to be set by enemies of the

The Arcadia Hardware Co. will occupy the east side of the new Daniel's concrete stone building on Oak street, now in course of erection. They have leased both the first and second floors, which will make a convenient and centrally located home for their thriving hardware

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Arcadia, Florida.

Political Announcements

Those Who are Running for Office And the Office They are Asking for

For County Judge.

To the Voters of Desoto County:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county Judge, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries, and solicit the support of the voters of the county. Respectfully,

R. E. Brown.

To the Voters of Desoto County:

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of county judge and solicit the support of the votters at the coming primaries. If elected I promise to execute the duties of the office with impartiality and justice. James Phelon.

For County Treasurer.

To the voters of Desoto County:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for county Treasurer of Desoto county. Having for the past three years assumed the duties of this office for the present incumbent I feel sufficiently qualified to fill this responsible position.

Respectfully,

W. M. PLATT.

To the Voters of Desoto County:

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the Democratic Primary of May the 15th. I promise you if elected to discharge the duties of the office to the best of my ability. Soliciting the votes of one and all and thanking you in advance for same, I remain. Yours Very Truly,

JAMES A. HENDRY.

For Sheriff.

To the Voters of Desoro County:

I hereby announce fuyself as a candidate for re-election as Sheriff of Desoto county, subject to the democratic primaries, to fill the office for the the democratic primaries, to fill the office for the next ensuing two years. I was elected for four years, but through some mistake, my bond to qualify for my regular term of four years did not reach me in time to file same in the legal time required by law. I would appreciate the support of all the voters of our county. Will say that I have done my best since I have been in office to put down crime of all kinds in this county, and if re-elected will continue on the same line.

A. C. FREEMAN.

For Representative.

TO THE VOTERS OF DESOTO COUNTY:

At the request of numerous friends in various parts of the county. I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative in the Legislature, subject to the action of the democratic primaries of May 15th and June 12th.

As I have neither the time nor the means to make a thorough personal canvass of the county I deem it proper to state here that if elected it shall be my carnest endeavor to work for the best interest of the county and the masses of the people among whom I have lived for nearly 26 years, and upon whose welfare and prosperity my own depends.

I am opposed to the repeal of the Buckman Educational Bill, and a continuation of the State appropriation for the Tampa State Fair, which will probably be asked at the next session of the Legislature

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Legislature.

I am not controlled by any individual, faction or corporation and shall advocate what I believe to be right regardless of whether it makes or loses votes for me.

I will take pleasure in answering any questions in regard to my opinion of public issues, either personally or through the press. Respectfully, H. C. SPARRMAN.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative of DeSoto county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

I am opposed to the repeal of the Buckman bill, and also further contributions by the State to the Tampa Pair Association.

If elected, will serve the people honestly and to the best of my ability.

J. B. COCHRAN.

To the Voters of Desoto County:
In announcing my candidacy for the office of
Representative for Desoto county, to be voted for
in the Democratic Primaries, 1906, I deem it
proper to define my position on the issues which
confront us.

I am unalterably opposed to the "drainage tax." and favor a repeal of the recent act providing

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The need of our State is higher education; our educational laws should be stable: I am therefore opposed to any and all effort to repeal the Buckman Bill or to interfere with the location of the University at Gainesville.

I favor the Railroad Commission, and believe that it should be given greater authority and nower.

Our system of pardons has done violence to the enforcement of criminal laws; I therefore favor an amendment thereof.

The old soldiers known as the 'Home Guard'' are not included in the provisions of our Pension Laws; this omission should be corrected.

I favor the establishment of a system of public abstracts.

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Upon these principles, and others of less prominence which I shall present to you during the campaign, I solicit your support and vote; and assure you that if I am elected I will endeavor by fearless and conscientious service to merit your endorsement. JOHN W. BURTON.

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Having been nominated by my fellow citizens of Wauchula and Punta Gords as a candidate in the Primaries for Representative in the Legislature on a platform declaring for a fair and just div., sions of DeSoto county, this card is to announce that fact and to solicit vetes on that platform, and to pledge myself, if nominated and elected, to use my best efforts to secure a division that will prove satisfactory and beneficial as far as possible to all the people of the proposed three counties.

A. P. Jordan.

At the request of my many friends. I have consented to enter the race for representative of Desoto county in the next Florida Legislature and take this opportunity of soliciting the votes of the citizens of the county in the approaching Democratic primary election.

As I will not have the opportunity of seeing and talking with each individual personally. I deem it proper that I should define my position on some of the more important issues of the campaign.

I am opposed to a division of DeSoto county for the reason that I am opposed to a high tax ation. I consider it more economical to maintain the present county government than to establish and maintain two additional ones also with the same source of revenue.

I shall favor the repeal of the Drainage Act passed by the Legislature of 1905 as an arbitrary uniair and unjust measure which if enforced will become a burden of taxation upon the people of the state.

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I am in favor of the Educational Law known as the 'Buckman Bill' and will oppose any effort to interfere with the location of the State University at Gainesville.

Having been born and reared within the boundaries of DeSoto county, all my interest being here, if I am honored with the nomination and election I shall be found working for the measures which I believe to be for the best interest of the state as a whole and DeSoto county in particular.

With honesty of purpose 'equal rights to, all and special privileges to none' I solicit the votes of my friends and the people of the county regardless of section or community.

Very respectfully,

W. H. Hooker.

For Tax Assessor.

For, and in consideration of the sum of five (5) dollars, receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, we are empowered and authorized to announce the candidacy of F. M. Cooper for re-election to the office of Tax Assessor of DeSoto county. Florida, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.

County Commissioner Dist. No. 2.

I respectfully announce myself a caudidate for county commissioner from District No. 2, and solicit the votes of all my friends and fellow democrats in the approaching primary election. W. S. Worley.

For Tax Collector.

To the Voters of Denoto County:

I am a candidate for tax collector of your county subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries WILL C. I,ANGPORD.

For County Commissioner Dist. No. 4.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner for district No. 4, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries. I promise, if elected, to preform the duties of the

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office in a strictly impartial manner and fa good of the whole people as I see it. D. S. WILLIAMS

I hereby announce myself a candidate commissioner in district No. 4, promisis elected, to do my duty conscientiously and best of my ability.

S. S. Avara

I announce myself as a candidate for Commissioner for district No. 4, subject Democratic Primary of May 15th.

C. S. Bushnell

I take this method of announcing to the of DeSoto county that I am a candidate office of county commissioner from district subject to the action of the Democratic Principles of the Democratic Principles of the County Co

I have decided after consulting with my hand fellow citizens to announce myself a dute for County Commissioner for District subject to the Democratic nomination. Is it elected to this office, to discharge the dath the same to the best of my ability. Solicitis support of my fellow citizens. I remain.

Yours to push and serve.

John L. Livings.

Member School Board.

TO THE VOTERS OF DESOTO COUNTY: By request of many friends, I bereby myself a candidate for member of the myself a candidate for memory floard for District No. 2, subject to the floard for District No. 2, subject to the and regulations of the Democratic orims), and regulations of the Democratic orims), and also endoavor to bonor the position is and also endoavor to bonor the position in a larger to the control of the contro